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Sons of Rome in High Places

Many people are comparing the late President Kennedy to Abraham Lincoln. I fail to see the resemblance. Kennedy is being called a martyr, although to what cause no one seems sure.

One of the things Kennedy and Lincoln would not have agreed upon is the role of the Catholic Church as it affects our country today. Kennedy was proud of the encyclical by Pope John, "Pacim in Terris."

This is what Lincoln has to say about the Catholic Church: "I see a very dark cloud on our horizon, and that dark cloud is coming from Rome. It is filled with tears of blood. It will rise and increase until its flanks will be torn by a flash of lightning, followed by a fearful peal of thunder. Then a cyclone such as the world has never seen will pass over the country, spreading ruin and desolation from north to south."

Remember, I didn't say this — Abraham Lincoln did — a man who was against slavery in any form, whether of the Negro, or of the nuns in the convent, the monks n a monastery, or the children in a "House of the Good Shepherd."

Taking the place of Kennedy is Lyndon Johnson, a Protestant and the first American to receive the Grand Cross of Merit rom the Roman Catholic order of Maka; ext comes the Speaker of the House, John McCormack, a Roman Catholic; Senate Maority Leader, Mike Mansfield, a Roman Catholic; Attorney General Robert Kendedy, Roman Catholic; Director of the Peace Corps, Sargent Shriver; Director of

the CIA, John A. McCone; Appointment Secretary to the President, Kenneth O'Donnell; Chief of Congressional Liaison, Lawrence O'Brien; O'Brien's deputy, Richard Donahue; White House personnel recruitment officer, Ralph Dungan; Secretary of the Cabinet, Timothy J. Reardon; White House Receptionist, David Powers — all Catholics.

The most recent appointments handed out to sons of Rome: Anthony Celebrezze, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; and Mr. Gronouski, Post Master General.

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American Protestants wake up MRS.

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